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	First Named Inventor	Wilson Zehr	
	Group Art Unit	2162	
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☒ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27

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#### 1. BASIC FILING FEE

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101	710	201	355	Utility filing fee	355.00
106	320	206	160	Design filing fee	
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#### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	40	-20**= 20	X 9.00 = 180.00
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103	18	203	9	Claims in Excess of 20
102	80	202	40	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	270	204	135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	80	209	40	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	65.00
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	390	216	195	Extension for reply within second month	
117	890	217	445	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,390	218	695	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,890	228	945	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	310	219	155	Notice of Appeal	
120	310	220	155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	270	221	135	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,240	241	620	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,240	242	620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	440	243	220	Design issue fee	
144	600	244	300	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	130	123	130	Petitions related to provisional applications	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146	710	246	355	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149	710	249	355	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	710	279	355	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify)

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Wilson Zehr, et al.

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OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION (FILING DATE GRANTED)**

Sir:


Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced patent application in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated March 14, 2001, are the following:

- (1) A check in the amount of \$640.00 in payment of the basic filing fee (37 CFR 1.27), additional claims fee, and late filing fee of declaration (37 CFR 1.16(e));
- (2) A duly executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney; and
- (3) A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts.

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Respectfully submitted,  
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 355 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$220.
  - \$180 for 20 total claims over 20.
  - \$40 for 1 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 640.

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